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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (currently amended) An automated tensioner comprising a sprocket or pulley rotatably attached to a <u>an</u> arm, the arm having a <u>an integral</u> leg portion slideably inserted <u>slideable</u> within a closed end bore formed in a latching base, the leg portion slideably inserted <u>slideable</u> away from the base and prevented from moving towards the base through a latching porthole in an elongate latch.
- 2. (original) The tensioner of claim 1 further comprising a latching spring disposed between the arm and the elongate latch.
- 3. (original) The tensioner of claim 1 wherein the leg portion has a pin protruding therefrom, the pin disposed slideably within a groove formed in the latching base.
- 4. (original) The tensioner of claim 1 further comprising a compression spring disposed between the leg portion and the closed end of the closed bore.